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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 8/3/92

TO : ADIC, NEW YORK (87G-NY-209009)  
 (ATTN: SA [redacted] BQMRA)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (87G-NY-209009) (RUC)

SUBJECT : BURTON KAPLAN, aka;  
 Et Al; ITSP  
 (OO:NEW YORK)

Re telcal between Newark SA [redacted] and  
 New York SA [redacted] on 7/27/92.

Newark operated a source, [redacted] (former), who  
 provided information on captioned subject, and others, based

[redacted] Information provided by the source was  
 determined to be specific to this investigation, so Newark  
 turned over the operation of the source to the New York  
 Division.

Leads set out by New York in this matter concerned  
 debriefing referenced informant relative to his knowledge of  
 hijacking and other crimes directed by KAPLAN. In view of the  
 closed status of Newark's [redacted] and the source's recent  
 incarceration, all logical investigation is complete. Newark  
 considers this matter RUC.

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Memorandum



To : ASAC BR (87G-NY-209009) (P) Date 6/1/92

From : SA [redacted] (C-31)

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Subject: BURTON KAPLAN ;

[redacted]

dba CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES

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This case is currently being reviewed by  
AUSA [redacted] for prosecutive merit.

The possibility of using a CW also is  
being currently explored.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The Staten Island District Attorney Office has identified [REDACTED] a frequent visitor to CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, as:

NAME:

RESIDENCE:

The Staten Island District Attorney Office advised, between [REDACTED] telephone calls between [REDACTED]  
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On 4/10/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA) [redacted] with the following information:

Source was shown a photograph of [redacted] and an unidentified white male with a beard and a baseball cap. Source advised, he knows the two individuals as [redacted] and [redacted] aka [redacted], who either worked for or associated with ELITE AIR FREIGHT, Newark, New Jersey.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The Staten Island District Attorney Office advised,  
[REDACTED] PISA FASHION INC., 750 Grand  
Street, Brooklyn New York, Telephone # (718) 782-8685.

The Staten Island District Attorney Office further  
advised, based on a pen register [REDACTED]

between the dates of [REDACTED]  
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On 4/10/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Brooklyn. [redacted]  
[redacted] CLAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] BURT KAPLAN.

Source further advised, [redacted] is also  
[redacted] but it is uncertain at  
this time, whether BURT KAPLAN [redacted]  
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On 4/10/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on or about 4/8/92, [redacted]  
[redacted] CHAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond, Staten Island. Source  
advised [redacted]

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WITH CASE AGENT.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The Staten Island District Attorney Office has  
identified, through a pen register [redacted]

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is:

NAME:

DOB:

RESIDENCE:

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The Staten Island District Attorney Office further  
advised, between [redacted]

office located at [redacted]

Telephone [redacted]

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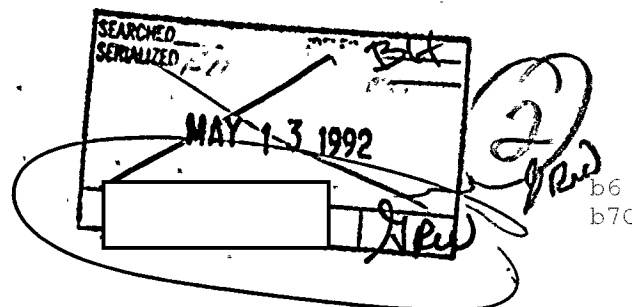
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On 4/4/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on 4/3/92, [redacted]  
CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten  
Island, [redacted]  
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

A New York State Criminal History of KAPLAN revealed the following:

NAME: BURTON KAPLAN  
RACE/SEX: White Male  
DOB: 10/11/33  
HEIGHT: 5'9"  
SSN #: 131-26-1015  
FBI #: 501194F

A New York State Criminal History of [REDACTED] revealed the following:

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NAME:  
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On 1/20/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, one of [redacted] sources of

[redacted] Source advised, [redacted]

[redacted] Staten Island.

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The Staten Island District Attorney Office has advised,  
between [redacted] there has been a total of [redacted]  
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On 1/17/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent [redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on 1/16/92, [redacted]  
[redacted] from ELITE AIR FREIGHT, Newark, New Jersey, [redacted]  
CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten  
Island, [redacted]  
[redacted] and BURT KAPLAN. Source advised, [redacted]  
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On 2/28/92, [REDACTED] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[REDACTED] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date, at CLAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, BURT  
KAPLAN [REDACTED]

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The Staten Island District Attorney's Office has  
identified [redacted] as:

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SEX/RACE:  
HAIR:  
RESIDENCE:

[redacted]

The Newark Division of the FBI advised the following;

On 1/28/92, unknown persons had stolen 990 cases (3.7ml. and 7.5 ml.) of BARON HERZOG white zinfandel wine, valued in excess of \$50,000.00 from the CONRAIL YARD, Falls Township, Pennsylvania. The empty trailer was recovered by the Newark Division off of McCarter Highway, Newark, New Jersey.

ELITE AIR FREIGHT is located in the vicinity of McCarter Highway, Newark New Jersey.

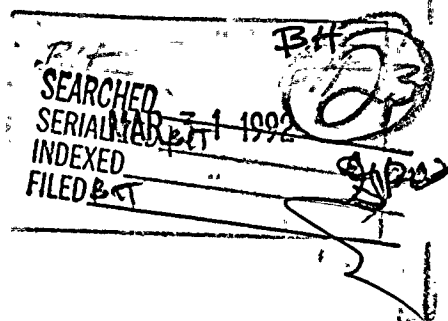
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On 2/29/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, [redacted] who  
are connected with ELITE AIR FREIGHT, Newark, New Jersey, [redacted]  
[redacted] at CLAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island. Source  
advised, [redacted]  
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On 3/2/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date at CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES,  
128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, BURT KAPLAN [redacted]

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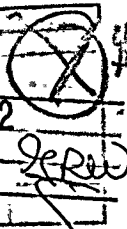
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On 2/29/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date, at CLAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, BURT  
KAPLAN [redacted]  
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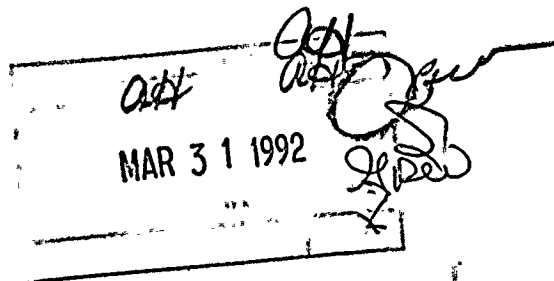
On 2/26/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port  
Richmond Avenue, Staten Island. [redacted]

[redacted] Source advised, the  
[redacted] Source  
further stated, BURTON KAPLAN [redacted]  
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On 2/22/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, [redacted] BURT  
KAPLAN, [redacted] CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130, Port Richmond,  
Staten Island New York [redacted]  
[redacted] Source advised. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Source advised [redacted]  
[redacted] New Jersey. Source  
further advised [redacted]  
[redacted] (phonetic).

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On 2/19/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date, [redacted] later  
identified as [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] who are  
connected with ELITE AIR FREIGHT, Newark, New Jersey [redacted]  
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

A New York State Criminal History of [redacted]  
revealed the following:

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The Staten Island District Attorney Office has  
identified [redacted] as:

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The Staten Island District Attorney Office has  
identified [redacted] as:

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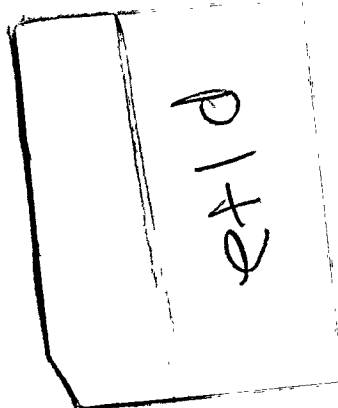
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On 2/15/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, [redacted] BURT KAPLAN'S  
"crew". Source advised [redacted]  
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to go into KAPLAN'S office and [redacted]  
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On 2/8/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date, at CLAREMONT  
INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond, Staten Island, [redacted]  
[redacted] BURT KAPLAN. [redacted] Source  
advised, [redacted]  
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On 2/8/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on 2/7/92 [redacted]  
CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island

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[redacted]  
[redacted] BURT KAPLAN, [redacted]  
[redacted] Source advised, [redacted]  
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On 2/7/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on instant date [redacted]  
[redacted] CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue,  
Staten Island, [redacted]  
Source advised, [redacted]  
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

An INDICES check on WATERFORD CRYSTAL revealed the following:

On 7/15/91, the Newark Division of the Federal of Investigation opened a case on the manufacturing and selling of counterfeit WATERFORD CRYSTAL. The file number is 257A-NK-70156.

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On 2/6/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, on 2/5/92, [redacted]

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[redacted] CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port  
Richmond Avenue, Staten Island.

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SOURCE DOES NOT KNOW THE NATURE OR NAME OF THE BUSINESS AT THE  
PRESENT TIME BUT WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS. THE  
SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

THE SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT ~~GAMING IN FAMILY~~

SOLDIER [REDACTED]

THE SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE SOURCE WILL ATTEMPT TO  
OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS [REDACTED]

FOR THE SPECIFIC INFORMATION OF MIAMI, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILL BE SPENDING THE

ENTIRE MONTH OF FEBRUARY IN THE FT. LAUDERDALE AREA. THE  
SOURCE WILL BE GIVEN A CONTACT NUMBER IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE ATLANTA SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

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NEW YORK-SA'S [REDACTED] C-17, [REDACTED] C-16, BOMRA.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RICO-MONEY LAUNDERING; OO: AT.

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VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE INFORMATION MAY BE SINGULAR. CARE  
SHOULD BE TAKEN NOT TO DISSEMINATE OUTSIDE THE BUREAU.

A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE OF THE ATLANTA DIVISION ADVISED

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The SIDA Office further advised, between [redacted]  
there has been a total [redacted]

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On 3/4/92, Staten Island District Attorney Office  
advised, based on a pen register [REDACTED]

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The Staten Island District Attorney Office further  
advised, [REDACTED]  
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On 2/4/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised, at CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 Port  
Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, [redacted]

[redacted]  
in New Jersey.

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advised, based on a pen register [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

The Staten Island District Attorney Office further  
advised, at one time [REDACTED]  
New Jersey was called [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BURT KAPLAN has used in the  
past.

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On 2/3/92, [redacted] provided Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] with the following information:

Source advised the main source of revenue for BURT  
KAPLAN at CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES LTD. 128-130 Port Richmond, Staten  
Island [redacted]

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[redacted] Source advised KAPLAN  
provides [redacted]

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INFORMATION ABOVE IS EXTREMELY SINGULAR IN NATURE AND THEREFORE  
SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE FBI WITHOUT PRIOR CONTACT  
WITH CASE AGENT.

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On 10/10/91, source observed

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advised source was

reminded source

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On 10/21/91, [ ] provided the following information to SA [ ]:

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[ ] (ph) was recently in possession of a stolen load of Sony VCRs. [ ] extremely close with a group of thieves who [ ]

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According to source, [ ] is an extremely [ ]

[ ] Source feels very strongly that [ ] LUCHESE family the next time the books are open.

Source also learned [ ] has had numerous dealings in criminal matters with [ ] who is also described as a made member. Source, at the direction of writer, will continue to associate with [ ] and solicit any further information.

Source described [ ] as follows:

Name  
Age  
Miscellaneous

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Source learned [ ] has been dealing narcotics with [ ] [ ] has been purchasing his supply through [ ] New Jersey. According to source [ ] connection with this group is [ ] New Jersey), who is responsible for the [ ] narcotics trafficking. Source will continue attempts to further identify [ ] activities.

Source overheard several conversations where the [ ] LNU as the source of the coke.

NO OVERT ACTION IS TO BE TAKEN WITHOUT CONTACTING THE WRITER SA [ ]

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Source information advises. KAPLAN. (DOB. 10/11/33) and [REDACTED] are actively involved in the buying and selling of stolen property. Recent surveillances have identified the following as frequenting the location:

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NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

[REDACTED]
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JOSEPH PUMA

12/10/14

[REDACTED]
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SA [REDACTED] source is in position to report on the activities at captioned location and is willing to assist the New York Division in their investigation.

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NEWARK DIVISION

Will contact aforementioned source and report pertinent information to the New York Division involving illegal activities at 128-130 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 10/21/91

TO : SAC, NEWARK  
 (ATTN: SA. [REDACTED])

FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (87G-NY-209009) (P)

SUBJECT: BURTON KAPLAN.  
 [REDACTED]

dba CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES  
 128-130 PORT RICHMOND AVENUE,  
 STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK  
 TOP THIEF TARGET  
 THEFT FROM INTERSTATE SHIPMENT;  
 INTERSTATE SHIPMENT OF STOLEN PROPERTY;  
 OO:NY (JFKRA)

Re: New York telcal to S.A. [REDACTED] Newark  
 Division on 10/7/91 and 10/15/91.

For information of the Newark Division:

The New York Division (JFKRA) and the Staten Island District Attorney's Office is currently targeting captioned location to investigate violations of theft from interstate shipment and interstate transportation of stolen property.

BURTON KAPLAN and [REDACTED] are long-time targets of both the BQMRA and JFKRA offices. In 1983, a federal search warrant was executed at captioned location and stolen property was recovered, but no arrests were made.

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 ① - New York (JFKRA)  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Number) (Time)

Per \_\_\_\_\_

# Memorandum



To : SAC DIV. II (87G-NY-209009) (P)

Date 9/18/91

From : SA [redacted] (JFKRA) (C-29)

Subject: BURTON KAPLAN.

[redacted]  
dba CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES, 128-130 PORT  
RICHMOND AVENUE, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.  
TTT; TFIS; ITSP  
OO:NY (JFKRA)

Captioned business is owned by KAPLAN [redacted] and is being used as a meeting place by subjects and numerous other individuals to plan and negotiate various criminal activities. The individuals meeting at Claremont have extensive criminal backgrounds in the area of property thefts and narcotics.

Source information has confirmed [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] provided by a reliable source, [redacted]

BURTON KAPLAN, is reportedly the "money man" behind most of the deals being made, and has been a Bureau target for more than 10 years, usually for property related offenses.

- (1) - 87G-NY-209009  
1 - ASAC Clark  
2 - CSSA [redacted] (SOFO)  
(1 - SSA [redacted] SO-15)  
1 - SSA [redacted] (C-29/JFKRA)  
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The monitoring plant for this installation should be located at, if technically possible:

( ) NYO (Room # \_\_\_\_\_)  
( ) BQ (Room # \_\_\_\_\_)  
( ) NR (Room # \_\_\_\_\_)  
( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(X) To be determined by Special Operations

The appropriate court order - authority:

(X) Title III  
( ) Ren Register  
( ) FISC  
( ) Bureau Authority  
( ) SAC Authority  
( ) Has been obtained and is attached  
( ) Is in the process of being obtained and can be expected by \_\_\_\_\_

Has this target, to the best of your knowledge, been the subject of prior Special Operations technical or surveillance coverage: ( ) Yes (X) No If so, please furnish the following:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
File Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval for this request:

DADIC/SAC/ASAC \_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF, SPECIAL OPERATIONS \_\_\_\_\_

SO-1 SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_

TTA Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Date Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

SO Control # Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

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be installed in conjunction with the following target:

- ( ) Residence  
(X) Business  
( ) Vehicle  
( ) Individual  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

located at: Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Apt./Floor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

## Vehicle description:

Make: \_\_\_\_\_  
Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Color: \_\_\_\_\_  
License: \_\_\_\_\_  
VIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alarm system: ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Unknown

This vehicle is listed to the following individual/company:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The subscriber to telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
is: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(revised 7/5/89)  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/17/91


TO: CHIEF, SPECIAL OPERATIONS BRANCH

FROM:  SUPERVISOR  JFKRA

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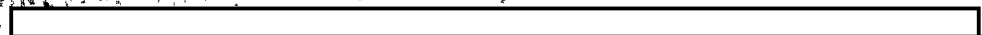

SUBJECT: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST - NEW YORK DIVISION

Case Agent: SA 

Squad: C-29 (JFKRA) Extension: 

Alternate Case Agent: SA 

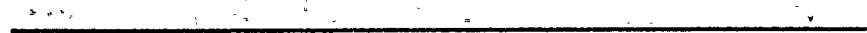
Squad: C-29 (JFKRA) Extension: 

Case Title:   
 N.Y.

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File Number: 87G-NY-209009

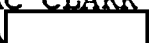
It is requested that a:

- (X) Microphone installation (MISUR)
- ( ) Telephone Interception (TESUR)
- ( ) Pen register
- ( ) CCTV
- ( ) Tracking transmitter - vehicle
- ( ) Other 

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1-ASAC CLARK

2-SSA 

(1) 87G-NY-209009

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# Memorandum



To : ASAC JOSEPH CANTAMESSA (87G-NY-209009) Date  
(ATTN: CSSA [REDACTED] SOFO) 9/18/91

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From : SSA [REDACTED] C-29/JFKRA

Subject: BURTON KAPLAN  
[REDACTED]

DBA CLAREMONT INDUSTRIES,  
128-130 PORT RICHMOND AVENUE,  
STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK  
TFIT;TTT;ITSP  
OO: NY (JFKRA)

JOHN F. KENNEDY RESIDENT AGENCY (JFKRA) is attempting to  
obtained probable cause for an affidavit to install a microphone  
[REDACTED]

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A request is made for SPECIAL OPERATIONS (SO) Squad 1 to  
survey [REDACTED] determine the feasibility  
of installing audio, video, telephone and communication equipment  
and the security of the equipment.

SSA [REDACTED] will provide the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] to SO # 15 and can be contacted at X [REDACTED]

1-ASAC CLARK  
1-CSSA [REDACTED] SOFO  
1-SSA [REDACTED] SO15  
1-SSA [REDACTED] (JFKRA)  
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INPUT NAME/KAPLAN, BURTON

SID/0872021K STATUS/COMPUTER-OK, RAPSHEET EST. < 10 PGS

III STATUS/U III MESSAGE/  
NAMES: KAPLAN, BURTON

DOBS: 101133

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ADDRESS 595 VANDERBILT AVE BROOKLYN

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SUSPECT 02 OF 02

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NAME  
KAPLAN, BURTON

FBI NO.  
501194F

INQUIRY DATE  
09/06/91

SEX	RACE	BIRTH DATE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	EYES	HAIR	BIRTH PLACE
M	W	10/11/33	508	165	BRO	BRO	NEW YORK

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ALIAS NAMES  
KAPLAN, BUTTON

SCARS-MARKS-TATTOOS	SOCIAL SECURITY	MISC NUMBERS
SC R ARM.	131-26-1015	NS-9125020

IDENTIFICATION DATA UPDATED 07/05/89

THE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD IS MAINTAINED AND AVAILABLE FROM THE  
FOLLOWING:

FBI - FBI/501194F

CAUTION



FBI NEW YORK  
STD 86783  
BURTON  
RAPLAN

Universal File Case Number 87G-NY-209009-1A2

Field Office Acquiring Evidence NEW YORK

Serial # of Originating Document \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received 7-22-93

From \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Contributor)

NYO

(Address of Contributor)

By \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No

Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☐ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6 (e)

Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

☐ Yes ☐ No

Title:

Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

Photograph of Burt Kaplan

ARREST of 7-14-93

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